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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement of September 4, 2003.

Applicants, by their undersigned representative, hereby elect the invention of Group I which is drawn to a polishing apparatus and corresponds to claims 1-60, and also elect Species A, which corresponds to Figs. 1-6 and on which claims 1-27 and 57-60 are readable.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected invention is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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